

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

THE ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE:

On May third, at a meeting held by the President with The Honorable Herbert Hoover and the writer, a discussion of the various water projects now in the process of preparation by various federal agencies was held. A subcommittee on water projects was reported by Mr. Hoover to be opposed to the Echo Park Project, and Hoover suggested this project be deferred for the time being in favor of the Glen Canyon project. It was agreed that this should be followed up for budget review and further action.

Inquiry was made by Hoover as to further decentralizing the work of the Civil Service Commission by giving promotion prerogatives to departments and agencies on a merit basis at a level of five thousand dollars annual wage and higher. The President gave his full approval to this idea, and stated that he believed that the Commission would have no difficulty with the Civil Service Commission on this subject.

A handwritten signature, possibly "A. B. Hoover", written in dark ink.